

## HER HUSBAND'S POCKETS

Asleep or Awake, Drunk or Sober, a Wife Has a Right to go Through Her Husband's Pockets and Gather Therefrom all the Spoils She Pleases.

A wife in Washington went through the pockets of her husband while asleep. She found in them \$14, which she took. When he awoke he threatened to knock her head off. Becoming alarmed because of his threats she lodged complaint against her husband and he was arrested. When he was brought before the judge the facts were brought out.

The judge held that the privilege of going through her own husband's pockets is a prerogative of woman which she may lawfully exercise at any time. The husband was put under bond to keep the peace. The court told the husband that he had been married long enough to know that a woman has some rights.

This settles a mooted question in or out of Washington. Asleep or awake, drunk or sober, a wife has a right to go through her husband's pockets, and to gather therefrom all the spoils she pleases. She has long been accustomed to do this, but never until now did she have the law and the court on her side. The common law and all other kinds of law are behind her now.

## RESTORATION OF CONFIDENCE

Financial and Industrial Affairs are at the Very Best.

"The restoration of confidence is the keynote of business improvement," said Milton R. Sharp, of Philadelphia. "Actual commercial improvement is in evidence and the activity of the pig iron market is a most cheering sign, but what makes financiers, industrial operators and merchants talk with decided optimism is the fact that confidence is restored and that we are entering a new year with prosperity in full sight."

"Pessimists are few and far between. No one doubts the future. The country is in good shape and a mighty industrial revival is on its way."

## REGARDING THE INAUGURATION.

Citizens of Washington are Determined to Make the Inauguration of Mr. Taft Most Brilliant of all.

"The citizens of Washington are determined to make the inauguration of Mr. Taft the most brilliant of all," said S. H. Crampton of the national capital. "Not that the former inaugurations have not been brilliant events, but an effort will be made to have additional social features next March, that will meet with enthusiastic approval."

"There has been some talk of limiting the inauguration parade to regular troops and the National Guard of the District of Columbia; but the old plan will be adhered to. All the volunteer soldiers of the country will be invited to participate as usual."

## Bryan in 1912.

"I was one of those who hoped for Gov. John A. Johnson's nomination at Denver, but willingly voted for Mr. Bryan," said J. J. Briscoe, of Cleveland, O. "It was generally thought that Bryan would meet his third defeat, and that he would be forced out of the presidential class; but not so."

"According to Mr. Bryan's own words he will be in a receptive mood again in 1912, provided he is alive and well, and humbly speaking he should be in prime condition to make another race four years hence. At first I could hardly take the great Nebraskan seriously, but within the past week I have met a dozen Democrats who said they were prepared to work for his nomination in 1912. I think, however, that Johnson is the coming man so far as the nomination goes."

## HIDES WANTED!

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## SOUTH'S FINANCIAL POLICY.

In reply to a request for some facts on the cotton situation and its relation to the South's future financial policy the editor of the Manufacturers' Record said:

"Persistent, unceasing effort should be made to bring about an increase in diversified farming throughout the South. This section should raise its own food supplies for man and beast. With great natural advantages for almost every form of diversified agriculture and for the raising of live stock the South sends tens of millions of dollars to the West for flour, corn and provisions. A very large proportion of the profit on the whole cotton crop goes to the Western farmer for products which the South is abundantly able to raise at home. If the farmers of the South would undertake to produce all of their foodstuffs as a primary proposition, cotton-growing would then be the secondary feature and there would be no danger of an overproduction beyond the world's needs. Moreover, the South would then keep at home the many millions which it now has to send elsewhere for foodstuffs. Profitable prices for cotton can be guaranteed by the development of diversified agriculture to the point where cotton becomes the surplus crop rather than the one crop on which the South would largely depend."

This is equivalent to reducing the proportion to the basis of supply and demand as the underlying economic principle. If the farmers of the South would raise the greater portion of the supplies in the way of foodstuffs which they are obliged to have they would as the editor of the Manufacturers' Record says, contribute two large factors towards the solution of the big problem with which they have been confronted for many years. These factors are the reduction of the cotton acreage and the keeping at home of large amounts of money which are being spent for supplies at a profit to people at a distance.

In other words, the South has got to raise less cotton in proportion to food products. The farmers of the South have got to partially discard the "cotton habit," so to speak. They have the situation in their own hands to more or less extent, and it rests largely with them whether or not they will profit by it.

It is encouraging to note that the Southern farmers are waking up to this fact and show a disposition to adopt the suggestions made along this line. When they thoroughly appreciate the importance of its bearing upon the South's future financial growth a long step will have been made in the direction of solving one of the greatest problems that stand in the way of the South's economic advancement.

Diversified farming throughout the South with cotton as a surplus crop means the South's tremendous progress all along the line.

## BETTER TIMES IN TRADE.

The banks in some states hold more than double the money they did four years ago, despite the fact that the fine crops of the year are sending back to the country districts large sums. Still the balances of the banks in the central cities are well maintained. All, too, know, that under the Aldrich law \$500,000,000 of new notes could be issued. All this makes for confidence in the general situation, for all see that another financial storm could not well arise.

The revival of trade is based on the return of confidence, and confidence has been promoted by the fact that the Democrats have accepted the result of the election in the best possible manner. Their quick and patriotic acceptance of the popular result has done a great deal in re-establishing confidence, and the country may be sure that every good Democrat, every warm friend of Mr. Bryan, will welcome the opening of mills and plants and prosperous times in all lines of trade.

It now every capitalist, big and little, would assist in swelling the tide of prosperity the coming of good times would be hastened, and we would soon have a contented people from one side of the country to the other. Financial assistance at the right times and in the right place goes a long way in reviving trade and in putting hungry men to work. There is no reason why it should be longer withheld. Capital can now earn money for its owners and it can now powerfully aid in bringing back better times in trade.

## DELIRIUM HIS DEFENSE

Man who Married Daughter of Senator Gorman to Spend Twelve Months in Prison.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 19.—Having been adjudged guilty of desertion from the navy by a court-martial at Philadelphia, Secretary Metcalf today approved the sentence in the case of Charles J. Hartlove, musician, first-class (alias C. J. Magness) who left the service in order to marry the daughter of the late Senator Arthur P. Gorman, of Maryland.

The punishment to be meted out to the young man is imprisonment for one year at the naval prison, Portsmouth, N. H., at the end of which he is to be dishonorably discharged. He is to perform police duties, during his confinement and to forfeit all pay except a small sum for necessary prison expenses.

By good behavior Magness may reduce his actual sentence to 8 months. The plea put up by Magness' counsel was that Magness "was in a state of mind that might be called delirium of anticipation of his honeymoon."

## Tom L. Johnson's Hard Luck.

A long, hard fight in behalf of his dead brother's children and another long, hard fight against privileges in his city has wrecked the private fortunes of Cleveland's Democratic mayor. He says he is practically penniless, and he is about to leave this Euclid avenue home and to sell his automobiles.

His heart is however, stout. He has, he says, a thousand fights left in him, and he proposes to run for mayor again, Democrat though he is in a Republican city. This will be a test of Cleveland's sense of rights. It will have to choose between privilege and the man who entered the mayor's office rich and who is now poor. Cleveland has more at stake in such an election than plucky Tom Johnson has. If it rejects him poor when it had thrice accepted him rich it will have to acknowledge that it bows first of all before the golden calf, and privileges and special interests will shortly afterward gumshoe in to pick up the reluctant spoils.

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## INDEPENDENT FERTILIZER COMPANY

Men of The south Plan a New Big Combination.

Baltimore, Md., Nov. 18.—The News this afternoon says:

Independent fertilizers throughout the south will meet at New York tomorrow to consider a new fertilizer combination which will take out a charter under the laws of New Jersey and have a capitalization of \$75,000,000. Of this sum \$50,000,000 will be stock equally divided between common and preferred. The new concern will be called the Independent Fertilizer Company, and will be controlled by interests identified with the Tennessee Copper Company. The chief subsidiary of the new corporation will be the \$10,000,000 Chemical Company, recently organized to handle the sulphur acid output of the Tennessee Copper Company.

T. C. Meadows, vice-president and treasurer of the Buffalo Fertilizer Company, is arranging the details of the combination and probably will be president. Lewisohn Brothers, New York bankers, have charge of the financial end of the deal. Already options have been obtained on some of the largest independent plants in the country, including the two of the Armour Packing Company in Baltimore, and those of the Swift Packing Company at Wilmington, Del., and Atlanta, Ga.

## Tariff Beneficiaries at the Hearing.

Speaking of the consumers, said the President-elect, "they ought to get together and be represented." So, perhaps, they should be, but they are unorganized and their pockets are not bulging with profits extorted under a Dingley tariff. Let us hope, however, they will club together in some way, and that the consumers' side of the tariff issue will be presented before the current hearings are ended.

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